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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2825
Docket No.: 1614.1093**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Noriyuki ITO et al.

Serial No. 09/708,572

Group Art Unit: 2825

Confirmation No. 2299

Filed: November 9, 2000

Examiner: Vuthe Siek

For: **DESIGN DATA PROCESSING METHOD AND RECORDING MEDIUM**

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attention: **BOX AF**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 3, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on August 3, 2004.

A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to September 3, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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